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Shaun Zimmer Sentenced to 26 Years in State Prison

Rochester, NY- Today, Monroe County Supreme Court Justice Judith Sinclair sentenced 35 year old Shaun Zimmer to 26 years in New York State Prison for a crime spree that began on July 4, 2015 at 11pm and ended with his arrest on July 9, 2015. During that time, Zimmer robbed 7 convenience stores in Monroe County, including one that he robbed twice in the same evening with the same store clerk behind the counter. The crime spree culminated with Zimmer robbing a Citizen's Bank in downtown Rochester. After robbing the bank, he was driven to the area of 489 Lyell Avenue where Lt. Ballard and Officer Ellison of the Gates Police Department attempted to make an arrest. Zimmer resisted arrest and stabbed Officer Ellison in his struggle to escape. Shaun Zimmer was sentenced today as a Second Violent Felony Offender based upon his guilty plea to Assault in the Second Degree, 3 counts of Robbery in the First Degree and Robbery in the Second Degree. Zimmer had just been released from state prison to parole on May 6, 2015, just two months prior to his crime spree.

The case was prosecuted by Special Assistant District Attorney Perry Duckles, Chief of the Major Felony Bureau and Senior Assistant District Attorney Greg Colavecchia of the Major Felony Bureau.

“Shaun Zimmer has chosen a life of crime and did not for one second think about the victims that he put in danger. Shaun Zimmer presents a danger to the community and for his victims he will serve 26 years in prison,” said Senior Assistant District Attorney Greg Colavecchia. “We want to thank the hard work of the Gates Police Department, the Irondequoit Police Department and the Rochester Police Department who worked tirelessly and in cooperation over the 5 day period to apprehend Zimmer and his co-defendant.”

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